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of the
Montana State Industrial School
Miles City, Montana
For the Year Ending June 30, 1927

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NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE MONTANA STATE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, JUNE 30, 1927

To The State Board of Education and State Board of Examiners:

Herewith is submitted the Annual Report of the Montana State Industrial School, Miles City, Montana, for the year ending June 30, 1927.

POPULATION

The average daily population for the past year was 138, being eight more than the previous year, and twenty-two more than any other year in the history of the Institution. One day in the month of May we had 160 boys, two more than the highest number reached last year, and twenty more than was reached in any other year. From January 4th to June 3rd, the population was never below 110, and it was above 150 for the three months of March, April and May. At this date the population is 127, about forty boys having been paroled or placed out to work since the close of school classes June 1st.

Seventy new boys were admitted during the year, and seventeen returned for violation of parole. Eighty-three boys were paroled, including about fifteen who were released only temporarily for the summer and who will return in the Fall for school. The average length of stay of the boys paroled for the first time was one year, nine months and twenty-five days. The average age of new boys received was between fourteen and fifteen years.

FINANCIAL

The appropriation for the biennial period just ended was not sufficient to meet the needs of the Institution, and in the first year there was incurred an overdraft of \$5,251.06, while in this year an additional overdraft of \$3,670.96 was incurred, making the total overdraft for the two years \$8,922.02. While the extraordinary increase in population the past two years caused some increase in expenses, the real cause of the overdraft was the tremendous shrinkage in

receipts for our Interest and Income Fund. At the time the appropriation was made for the past biennium, the Legislature estimated our receipts from Interest and Income at \$15,000 for each year; but as a matter of fact these collections were only \$11,758.99 the first year and but \$10,710.07 this year. Had these receipts come up to expectations, there would have been no overdraft. The chief cause of the shrinkage was the fact that a large sum of our Permanent Investment fund was un-invested for a long time.

We understand that practically all of our Permanent Fund is now invested, so that for the next biennium the receipts from Interest & Income will undoubtedly reach the \$15,000 a year estimated. In addition, our appropriation for the coming biennium is \$3,000 per year higher than it was; and with the new land purchased last Spring our receipts from Farm Products sold should increase some \$3,000 per year. While the Maintenance expenses may run a little higher than they were the past year, the increases noted above should be more than enough to take care of the present overdraft without the necessity of resorting to a Deficiency Appropriation.

We would point out especially that while the appropriation has not been sufficient, the per capita cost of operation has been reduced from \$1.38 to the exceptionally low figure of \$1.17 for the past year.

DISCIPLINE

There were ten escapes during the year, five of whom have not been returned. However, the discipline on the whole has been very good, the escapes being boys who were not doing well or new boys whose homes were in other States. Discipline is maintained almost

entirely by forfeiture of merits or loss of privileges. Only a small per-cent of the boys are incorrigible here, and if these could be removed the discipline would be a simple matter.

Seventeen boys were allowed to visit their homes for a week or ten days at Christmas time, and all returned to the School at the time specified. Only those who have good records and have been here more than six months are allowed this privilege; but there were many others who could have been granted this visit home but were unable to go on account of family financial reasons.

HEALTH

The health of the boys during the past year has been exceptionally good, there being very little sickness of any nature, and no serious cases. There were no epidemics and only two cases of contagious disease, these being mild diphtheria cases. At the time these developed the entire School was inoculated, and no one else contracted the disease.

Our hospital was in use for about three months, taking care of the necessary minor operations, such as circumcisions and the removal of adenoids and tonsils. During this time a trained nurse was kept in the Hospital steadily and there were performed forty-six tonsilectomies, forty-one circumcisions and three nasal operations. Only one major operation was necessary during the year, this being on a boy who came to us with a chronic appendicitis.

The clinic in Miles City is under contract to take care of all our boys. They examine each boy soon after admission, do all necessary surgery, and visit the School whenever there is occasion. We also have a dentist go over the boys' teeth twice each year. These preventative measures, together with the regular, wholesome life led by the boys, are responsible for the excellent health enjoyed by all.

SCHOOLS, SHOPS, ETC.

The department heads have each made a report of the work in their various departments, and the same are included

and made a part of this report. The Shops are all under experienced instructors, and the boys are given opportunities to learn trades few of them would get outside.

Twelve boys were allowed to attend High School in Miles City and without exception made excellent records, one boy graduating.

FARM & GARDEN

Included in this report is a statement of farm and garden produce raised at the Institution during the past year. This shows an increase of about \$2,000 net over the previous year. Practically all this is consumed by the School, although we did sell something over one thousand dollars of it in the form of dairy products and live stock, which amount was remitted to Helena to the credit of our Revolving Appropriation. This report shows the total value of all farm produce as \$26,322.91; less items fed to stock and poultry, \$9,331.70; leaving the net value of all produce, \$16,991.21. However, the inventory of live stock and feed on hand is considerably greater than a year ago, and if this were taken into consideration our profit from the farm for this year would show about \$2,000 higher than it does. We do not include increase in inventory in our Annual Report, such items being reflected on the next year's report as they are consumed or sold. The cost of producing this total was \$7,420.14, for farm operation; in addition we had capital expenditures of \$2,389.00 for additional farm machinery and live stock.

This year we are again leasing 100 acres of land on shares, and are also cultivating some of the 160 acres of new land purchased for us by the last Legislature. It will probably take two or three years, however, to have all this new land in good productive shape. Our crop prospects for this year are not as bright as we had hoped for earlier in the season. The cold wet Spring delayed farming operations to such an extent that we could not get everything planted but we expect to raise practically all of our stock feed this year and will have

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a good cash crop of potatoes, sugar beets and alfalfa, but not as large as was hoped for.

IMPROVEMENTS

The new Heating Plant, begun a year and a half ago, has just this month been finally completed, with the erection of the coal and ash handling equipment. It was in use, however, almost all of the past year, with a marked saving in coal consumption; our coal bill the past year being but \$4,870.96 against \$7,025.15 the year before.

The last Legislature appropriated \$12,800 for the purchase of an additional 160 acres of farm land, and this is being prepared for use as fast as possible. We have added a beef herd to our

live stock in the past year, and also a small band of sheep, and have succeeded in making our Dairy Herd 100 per cent registered stock.

The old boiler house has been remodelled into a laundry and garage, and considerable new laundry equipment was purchased, giving us now a very modern plant.

No further improvements are contemplated for the coming year.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

A. C. DORK

W. E. HOLT

F. R. SAVAGE

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Financial

<u>1925-1926</u>		
General Appropriation for year 1925-1926		\$45,000.00
Revolving Fund, Balance July 1, 1925	\$413.40	
Receipts transmitted year 1925-1926	<u>\$213.25</u>	626.65
Interest & Income Fund Balance, July 1, 1925	\$ 1,603.27	
Interest & Income Receipts, year 1925-1926	<u>11,758.99</u>	<u>13,362.26</u>
<u>Total Maintenance funds available, 1925-1926</u>		\$58,988.91
Disbursed: General Fund, 1925-1926	\$50,825.05	
Disbursed: Interest & Income Fund, 1925-1926	13,354.92	
Disbursed: Revolving Fund, 1925-1926	<u>60.00</u>	
<u>Total Disbursements, Year 1925-1926</u>		<u>\$64,239.97</u>
<u>Overdraft incurred in Year 1925-1926</u>		\$5.251 06
<u>1926-1927</u>		
General Appropriation for year 1926-1927		\$45,000.00
Revolving Fund receipts transmitted during year		1,864.95
Interest & Income receipts for year		10,923.54
Deficiency Appropriation (a/c 1923-1925 claim)		<u>99.74</u>
<u>Total Maintenance Funds available, 1926-1927</u>		\$57,888.23
Disbursed: General Fund, 1926-1927	\$39,172.97	
Disbursed: Interest & Income Fund, 1926-1927	10,710.07	
Disbursed: Revolving Fund, 1926-1927	11,576.41	
Disbursed: Deficiency Fund, 1926-1927	<u>99.74</u>	
<u>Total Disbursements for Year 1926-1927</u>		<u>\$61,559.19</u>
<u>Overdraft incurred in Year 1926-1927</u>		<u>\$3,670.96</u>
<u>TOTAL OVERDRAFT FOR BOTH YEARS OF BIENNIAL PERIOD</u>		<u>\$8,922.02</u>

MONTANA STATE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

Financial (Continued)

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES FROM MAINTENANCE FUNDS, 1926-1927, BY MONTHS:

July	1926	\$7,033.05
August	"	6,640.44
September	"	5,859.24
October	"	7,198.89
November	"	4,132.14
December	"	5,150.56
January	1927	6,099.91
February	"	4,856.89
March	"	3,734.36
April	"	4,076.99
May	"	2,979.94
June	"	3,796.78
<u>TOTAL</u>		<u>\$61,559.19</u>

Expenditure from Special Appropriation, May, 1927,
for purchase of 160 acres additional farm land \$12,800.00

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES FROM MAINTENANCE FUNDS BY CLASSIFICATION:

Operation, General Administration	\$12,502.13	
" Educational System	10,727.57	
" Physical Plant	12,718.75	
" Farm	7,420.14	
" Subsistence	14,698.31	
Repairs & Replacements	1,053.13	
<u>Total Operation Costs</u>		\$59,120.03
Capital Expenditures		2,430.16
<u>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</u>		<u>\$61,559.19</u>

DETAIL OF OPERATION COSTS, COMPARED WITH PREVIOUS YEAR:

	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Previous Year</u>
Salaries & Wages	\$26,204.96	\$26,220.95
Food Supplies	7,595.39	9,020.64
Other Subsistence Supplies & Expenses	1,860.14	2,184.63
Coal	4,870.96	7,025.15
Light & Power	2,954.04	2,766.57
Maintenance Motor Vehicles	1,889.92	1,261.44
Other Physical Plant Expense	953.83	664.62
Tailor Shop Supplies	1,530.63	1,559.65
Carpenter Shop Supplies	1,203.82	901.56
Shoe Shop Supplies	811.30	594.50
Other Educational Expense	253.15	185.92
Farm Supplies & Expenses	3,250.64	3,421.39
Medical Expense & Doctors	1,883.70	2,773.23
Escape Expense	435.87	825.97
Parole Expense	559.12	654.22
Other Administrative Expenses	1,809.43	1,772.70
Repairs & Replacements	1,053.13	1,517.80
<u>TOTAL OPERATION COSTS</u>	<u>\$59,120.03</u>	<u>\$63,350.94</u>

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STATEMENT OF AVERAGE DAILY POPULATION:

<u>Month</u>		<u>Inmate Days</u>	<u>Average Daily</u>
July	1926	3782	122
August	"	3640	117
September	"	3869	129
October	"	4215	136
November	"	4170	139
December	"	4291	139
January	1927	4362	141
February	"	4048	145
March	"	4719	152
April	"	4598	153
May	"	4789	155
June	"	<u>3963</u>	<u>132</u>
<u>Total</u>		50,446	<u>Average</u> 138

PER CAPITA COST OF OPERATION \$428.40

PER CAPITA COST OF OPERATION PER DAY \$1.17

SUMMARY OF BOND FUND EXPENDITURES DURING FISCAL YEAR:

Total allotments from Bond Fund to June 30, 1926	\$231,550.00
Disbursed to June 30, 1926, per prior reports	<u>203,163.51</u>
BALANCE, JULY 1, 1926	\$ 28,386.49
Additional allotment, April, 1927	<u>3,300.00</u>
<u>TOTAL AVAILABLE THIS YEAR</u>	\$ 31,686.49

EXPENDITURES, JULY 1, 1926 TO JUNE 30, 1927

For Heating Plant construction and connections	\$18,754.06
For remodeling old Boiler House into new Laundry and Garage	7,028.37
For new Laundry Equipment	<u>2,485.98</u>
<u>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS TO JUNE 30, 1927</u>	\$28,268.41
<u>BALANCE UNEXPENDED, JUNE 30, 1927</u>	\$ 3,418.08

UNPAID CONTRACTS

Boespflug, for completion Heating Plant	\$ 522.98
Montana Iron Works, for completion of Coal & Ash Handling Equipment	\$ 615.00
Montana Plumbing & Heating Co., for connecting residences to Heating Plant	\$ 1,644.00
Mellen, salary supervising erecting of Coal & Ash Handling Equipment	\$ 225.00
Miscellaneous charges, a/c installing Coal & Ash Handling Equipment	<u>\$ 322.24</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	\$ 3,329.22
<u>BALANCE UNALLOTTED</u>	<u>\$ 88.86</u>

FARM AND GARDEN PRODUCE FOR YEAR 1926--1927

PRODUCT	QUANTITY	PRICE	VALUE
Asparagus	1950 doz.	.05	97.50
Beans, green	1021 gal.	.20	204.20
Beans, navy	400 lbs.	.06	24.00
Beets, early	233 doz.	.10	23.30
Beets, table	2300 lbs.	.02	46.00
Beets, mangel	111 ton.	5.00	555.00**
Beef, dressed (Holstein)	5391 lbs. (12 head)	.10	539.40
Beef, dressed (herd)	4587 lbs. (11 head)	.10	458.70
Cattle sold (Holstein)	(15 head)		541.12
Cabbage	2426 head	.10	242.60
Carrots, early	115 doz.	.10	11.50
Carrots, large	398 lbs.	.02	7.96
Cauliflower	45 head	.10	4.50
Chard, Swiss	1927 lbs.	.10	192.70
Chickens, dressed	1180 lbs.	.36	354.00
Celery	944 bun.	.10	94.40
Corn, field	550 bu.	1.00	550.00**
Corn, ensilage	180 ton.	6.00	1,080.00**
Corn, fodder	14 ton.	5.00	70.00**
Corn, pop	8 bu.	3.00	24.00
Corn, sweet	2336 doz.	.20	467.20
Cucumbers	147 doz.	.25	36.75
Cucumber pickles	386 gal.	.25	96.50
Currants	40 gal.	1.00	40.00
Eggs	3100 doz.	.20	620.00
Eggplant	36 only	.20	7.20
Hay, alfalfa	518 ton.	12.00	6,216.00*
Horseradish	100 lbs.	.20	20.00
Kohlrabbi	58 doz.	.25	14.50
Lettuce	813 head	.10	81.30
Lettuce, early	73 doz.	.30	21.90
Melons, musk	558 only	.10	55.80
Melons, water	851 only	.20	170.20
Milk	36,850 gal.	.20	7,370.00
Mutton, dressed	235 lbs. (4 head)	.15	35.25
Oats	392 bu.	.60	235.20**
Onions, green	1527 doz.	.10	152.70
Onions, dry	1287 lbs.	.03	38.51
Pork, dressed	14,660 lbs. (80 head)	.13	1,905.80
Peas, green	352 gal.	.25	88.00
Peppers	16 bu.	5.00	80.00
Parsnips	337 lbs.	.02	67.40
Plums	30 gal.	1.00	30.00
Potatoes	1173 bu.	1.50	1,759.50
Pumpkins	1200 lbs.	.04	48.00
Radishes	3300 doz.	.05	165.00
Rhubarb	336 doz.	.10	33.60
Rutabagas	955 lbs.	.02	19.10
Salsify	1000 lbs.	.05	50.00
Squash	50,272 lbs.	.01	502.72
Strawberries	60 qts.	.20	12.00
Spinach	207 lbs.	.20	41.10
Tomatoes	60 bu.	1.00	60.00
Turnips	1415 lbs.	.02	28.30
Turnips, early	160 doz.	.10	16.00
Wheat	417 bu.	1.50	625.50**
Total value of all produce			\$26,322.91
Less items (**) which were fed to live stock, etc.			9,331.70
Net value of all produce			<u>\$16,991.21</u>

School Of Letters

The School work during the year 1927 has been a great success, considerably better than last year, and at least as good as any previous year. The showing of the eighth graders was particularly gratifying. There were in all thirty-one eighth grade boys during the year, and of these, twenty-three succeeded in passing the State Examinations and earned their diplomas, entitling them to enter High School in the Fall. Eleven of these diplomas were awarded in February, chiefly to boys who had failed in some subjects a year ago; and twelve were awarded in June. Of the eight who failed to win their diplomas, five failed in only two or three subjects, and some of these may still be able to pass the August examinations and get their diplomas in time to enter High School in the Fall.

The grades below the eighth grade all did well, and there were very few failures in these lower classes. The seventh grade boys took the State Examinations in Physiology and Geography, as usual, and of the twenty-one who took them, eleven passed in both subjects, while five passed in one but failed in the other.

All the boys of the Institution who have not completed the eighth grade go to school while here; the higher grades in the forenoon from seven to eleven-thirty; the lower grades in the afternoon from one to five o'clock. While not in the school room, the boys work at various trades and other work about the place: house work, cooking, dairying, farming, shoe-making, tailoring, printing, carpentry work and auto mechanics. As we have no facilities for teaching high school subjects, there were about twenty-five boys who did not go to school at all the past year, but spent their entire time at their respective trade occupations.

Ample recreation is provided for the

boys, recess periods being spent on the play-ground or in the gymnasium, and other recreation being from 12:00 to 1:00 P. M. and 6:00 to 8:00 P. M. A half-day is devoted to recreations on Saturdays, and all day Sunday, with the exception of an hour Sunday School in the morning and an hour Chapel services in the afternoon. Our boys play basketball, baseball and football with out-side teams. During the summer months the plunge in the gymnasium is constantly in use, and all the boys learn to swim.

During the past year we sent twelve boys from here to the Custer County High School in Miles City. These were practically all, boys who were eligible to parole but who for various reasons could not be sent home, and they made their home here while attending High School in town. All of these boys appreciated the privilege accorded them, and made very fine records. One boy graduated from the High School, having secured all of his high school education since coming here. Two of our boys earned letters for participation on the High School athletic teams, and another represented the High School at the stock-judging contest at Bozeman.

During the past year Mrs. Edythe Johnson again taught the smaller boys, ranging from eight to twelve years in age. These boys are kept entirely separate from the larger boys, not only in school but also in their living quarters and in their work. The older boys were taught by Mr. Lester Jones and the writer, Mr. Jones teaching those below the sixth grade, and the writer the sixth, seventh and eighth grades. Mr. Jones also acted as athletic instructor for all the older boys.

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. Partridge
High Grade Teacher

Print Shop

The principal work of the Print Shop is the publishing of the School paper, "The Boys' Messenger" each month. This organ is the only means which we have of reaching the entire State and acquainting the people with the actual facts here. "The Boys' Messenger", now in its fourteenth year, has always attempted to give to the people of Montana such news of the Institution as to enable them to know exactly what manner of Institution this is, what is taught our boys, and what efforts are made to give them an opportunity for bettering themselves and making themselves into good, clean citizens. A surprisingly large number of people have incorrect impressions of this Institution, and we feel that "The Boys' Messenger" is doing a good work in correcting such impressions in the minds of the people we are able to reach. While some of the special articles dealing with the Institution in general are prepared by the writer, most of the copy for the paper is written up by various boys, and edited by the Print Shop boys before being printed, so that our readers get not so much official opinions as the actual sentiments of the boys themselves. In the past year, however, we have undertaken three important propositions in our columns in the nature of "Propaganda." By far the most important of these propositions was the appeal we made to the public in our March issue to "Give our boys a chance," in the course of which we endeavored to change certain bigoted, narrow-minded sentiments that we found existing with reference to our boys. Earlier in the year, we published a series of articles dealing with the physical needs of the Institution, which articles we circulated among the members of the Legislature in order to acquaint them with conditions here. The third major proposition of the year was the publication of a lengthy article explaining the rules of the School and giving other General Information.

We print, each month, about 1350 copies of "The Messenger." Our mailing list contains now close to 1200 names. This includes the parents or relatives of all the boys at the School; all boys who have been paroled; members of the Legislature and other State officials; District Judges, County Attorneys, Clerks of Court and Sheriffs and Probation Officers; all newspapers of

the State, and any other persons sufficiently interested in the School to request that the paper be sent to them. While we have a nominal subscription price of 25 cents per year, we very seldom collect it; and in fact never take in for subscriptions in the course of one year more than enough to cover the mailing expense.

Our print shop is well-equipped, light and roomy. We could employ five or six boys here, and a year's work in this Shop is a liberal education in itself. However, we do not have work enough to keep more than two or three boys busy, or to employ an instructor; the boys detailed to the Shop are placed there on their honor, and what instruction and supervision is necessary is furnished by the Secretary. While we do not have a lino-type machine (all our work being hand-set) we are equipped so that we could do a great deal of the State's small printing jobs, if arrangements could be made whereby we could be permitted to do such work. This would not only enable us to employ more boys in the Shop, but would also bring in some additional revenue to the School.

We do all our own printing here, including our stationary, forms, reports, etc., and the following work was turned out during the past year in addition to the printing of "The Boys' Messenger":

Annual Report, 1925-1926,	260 cop.
Biennial Report, 1924-1926	200 "
Hymn Book, 12 pages	210 "
Audit Report, "56" Corp.	375 "
General Information Pamphlets	400 "
Recommended improvements	600 "
Letterheads, Boys'	3500
Letterheads, Office	1500
Envelopes	7000
Mailing wrappers	15000
Boys' order blanks, padded	5750
Misconduct reports, padded	1500
Book lists, padded	500
Population record sheets	100
Laundry lists, padded	1000
Library book pockets	500
Library book donation slips	500
Library cards	100
School report cards	1000
Football posters	150
Football tickets	1500
Application forms	150
Bridge score cards	400
Special Letterheads & envelopes	500

W. F. Leimert, Secretary.

Carpenter Shop

The instructor in charge of this department at the time of the last Annual Report, Mr. C. A. Parr, resigned on July 1, 1926, since which time the writer, Mr. E. L. Anderson, has had charge of the work. We have had a number of important jobs to turn out, but none as large as were done the previous year.

This department takes care of all the repairing, painting and general upkeep of all the buildings on the grounds. We also do additions, etc., and make practically all the furniture used. In fact, everything needed by the institution in wood-work, concrete-work, plastering and painting is taken care of by this department; and the boys are instructed in these various manual training lines, each according to his individual qualifications, and all are getting a good deal of practical experience in their particular lines while at the same time learning, as they must, the first steps of study and handling of tools. Our shop is equipped with considerable machinery much as a workman ordinarily meets in a cabinet shop or small planing mill, such as a pony planer, jointer, band saw, mortiser, power saws, power sander, and turning lathe; and some of the boys become very proficient in handling these machines. The fact that a boy is not here much more than one year is the only reason he is not fully equipped to take his place as a journeyman when he leaves here; but if they apply themselves, the boys of this department get experience while here that is equal to at least two years of ordinary apprenticeship.

During the past year sixteen boys from fourteen to nineteen years of age have been employed in this department. Some of these boys have become quite adept in one line or another; and all have progressed very well and have taken a great deal of interest in their work.

Our first work of the year was the completion of the new floor laid in the Boys' Building Dining Room. This was started just at the end of the previous year, and was completed last July. From that time up until this Spring, there was no major construction job, but we had a great many small jobs of carpentry

work, concrete work, painting, cabinet work, etc., that kept us busy. However, at the present time we are employed in the erection of a small house at the Miles City Country Club; a job the boys in this department were very glad to get, as it is furnishing them with practical building experience and education that they would not have had otherwise. This will be completed in a short time. Other new work turned out, in addition to the ordinary repairing, painting, etc., was as follows:

Moved old print shop and put new foundation under it

Concrete foundation under Blacksmith Shop after it had been moved to its new location (necessitated by building of new heating plant)

Concrete foundation and brick floor in oil house

Re-nailed siding of blacksmith shop

Cement water trough at North Place

Built new hay derrick

Made a number of wagon tongues, single trees, double trees, etc.

Work bench and supply bins in new heating plant

Additional lockers in tailor shop (5 tiers)

New screens (35)

Suit hangers in tailor shop (175)

New bottoms put in 85 chairs

Cabinet in new laundry

Tore down garage back of boilerhouse.

Wrecked the old barn on new land

Installed coal and ash handling equipment in new heating plant, under the supervision of Mr. Mellen of the Supervising Architect's office

Set of book shelves for library

Large oak medicine cabinet for Administration Building

Clothes rack and lockers for Co. C.

Cabinet for gymnasium

Numerous articles of Cabinet work, such as cedar chest, lamps, etc.

Painted all bathrooms, President's kitchen, Secretary's kitchen, Recreation room, about 75 screens and windows in dormitory.

Respectfully submitted,

E. L. Anderson

Carpenter Instructor

Tailor Shop

Our work in the tailor shop has been somewhat curtailed during the past year, due to the fact that the tailor in charge, Mr. Walsh, quit very suddenly last fall, and it has not been possible to get an experienced Tailor since then. However, under the instruction of Mrs. Alice Jones, the shop has been able to function very well except for the making of new suits of clothes for the parole boys. There has been no one with experience enough to make patterns for these or to cut out the goods, and for this reason we have had to purchase parole suits this Spring. Everything else worn by the boys has been made, though, and the usual mending and repairing has been kept up in good shape; and at present a set of patterns has just been received for parole suits, and the shop is now beginning to make these again.

There are usually about ten boys employed in this shop, learning the tailor trade. In the course of their training here the boys get to be quite expert bushelmen. They are taught all branches of the trade and at the same time turn out all the clothes worn by the boys. When a new boy arrives, he is measured for the various articles necessary, and two complete outfits are fitted and numbered for him. A large cupboard is located in the shop with a bin for each boy, where the extra outfits are kept after being returned from the laundry; before being put away the laundered clothes are all inspected and mended. In addition to taking care of the boys' clothing in this way, all household linens, etc., are turned out in the Tailor shop.

The following is the list of new articles made in addition to ordinary repairs during the year:

Parole Coats	55
Parole Pants	59
High School Pants	16
Referee Pants	2
Sport Coat	1
Uniform Caps	19
Uniform Coats	63
Uniform Pants	90
Riding Breeches	1
Jean Trousers	244
Khaki Coats	13
Khaki Trousers	272
Khaki Caps	59
Denim Jumpers	29
Denim overalls	150
Denim Caps	36
Hickory Work Shirts	276
Kitchen Shirts	96
Nightgowns	126
Moccasins, prs.	42
Mittens, prs.	18
Garters, prs.	42
Knee Pads, prs.	46
Cooks' caps	40
Dish towels	50
Hand towels	108
Bath towels	131
Sheets	133
Pillow slips	98
Pillow ticks	13
Table cloths	23
Napkins	24
Aprons	86
Pot holders	50
Dresser scarfs	16
Laundry bags	6
Sorim curtains	16
Window shades	9
Creamery strainers	500
Rugs bound	17

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Alice Jones

Tailor Instructor

Shoe Shop

We have not attempted to keep as busy in the shoe shop during the past year as in previous years, there having been more than a year's supply of new shoes on hand at the beginning of the year, and no necessity for increasing this supply. Consequently the number of new shoes turned out is only about one-third of what it was last year. However, the increased population has kept us some busier in repair work, and in addition to that we have repaired quite a number of shoes for the Orphan's Home. We still have a good supply of new shoes on hand for our own use, about 150 pair of work shoes, 100 pair of Sunday Shoes and 100 pair of slippers; with 152 pair of work shoes, 63 pair of Sunday shoes and 72 pair of slippers in process of making. When these are completed, it will not likely be necessary to make any more new shoes the coming year.

We usually have but two or three boys working in the Shop, but we could keep four or five busy if we had the work for them. In the course of a year, a boy can become quite adept in repair work here in the Shop, and can even go ahead with the making of new shoes after the leather has been cut out for him. Besides making new shoes and keeping the old ones in repair, we also do considerable harness work here, and repair baseballs, footballs, belts, gloves, etc.

Our work for the past year has consisted of the following:

New Sunday Shoes	6 pair
Sunday Shoes, Uppers and Bottoms, in process	63 pair
New Work Shoes	123 "
Work Shoes, Uppers and Bottoms, in process	152 "
New Slippers	29 "
Slippers, Uppers and Bottoms, in process	72 "
Shoes half-soled	675 "
Shoes re-heeled	668 "

New fronts	12 pair
New tips put on shoes	149 "
Sewed	838 "

The above list includes the shoes repaired for the Orphans' home as well as our own.

Respectfully submitted,
John Jespersen
Shoe Shop Instructor.

Auto Shop

During the past year the Auto Shop has been of great value to the School, not only in training several boys in some of the elementary parts of garage work, but also in taking care of the Institution's cars and trucks. We have a fine, large, well-equipped shop where any kind of auto repair work can be done. While most of the work is in the nature of car washing, etc., we do quite a number of repair jobs in the course of a year. Besides the Institution machines, we get an occasional job from town, and officers having private cars are encouraged to have their auto repairing done in our shop, at cost, in order to furnish more practice for the boys learning the trade. It is not practical to employ more than three boys at a time in the Shop, but these can get ample experience in the trade, provided they apply themselves. The Instructor supervises all work done, showing the boys the proper way to do the various jobs.

At the beginning of the year Mr. C. H. White was instructor in charge of the Shop. He was succeeded in October by Mr. E. F. Partridge, who was granted a leave of absence on May 1st. While there was no instructor during May, one boy was kept in the shop for general work. On June 1st, Mr. Ray Ballard assumed charge, and we now have three boys working again.

Respectfully submitted,
Ray Ballard
Auto Shop Instructor.

Table No. 1
Movement of Population

Population, June 30, 1926	121	
Admitted for first time (Table No. 5)	70	
Returned for violation of Parole (Table No. 9)	17	
Returned from Parole in Honor (Table No. 10)	13	
Escapes returned (Table No. 11)	5	
Returned from Leaves of Absence (Table No. 13)	32	
Paroled during the year (Table No. 8)	83	
Discharged (Table No. 12)	6	
Escaped (Table No. 11)	10	
Departed on leaves of absence (Table No. 13)	32	
Population, June 30, 1927 (Table No. 2)	127	
	258	258



ADMINISTRATION BUILDING



A FARM SCENE

MONTANA STATE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

Table No. 3

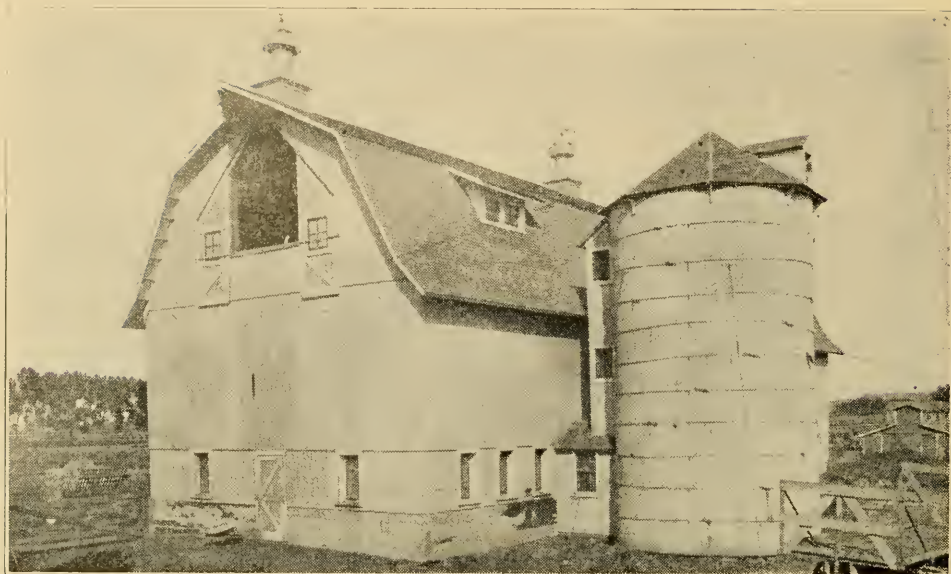
Showing from what Counties the boys were received who were in the School on June, 30, 1927:

<u>COUNTY</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>
Beaverhead	4
Big Horn	2
Blaine	2
Carbon	1
Cascade	6
Choteau	1
Custer	6
Dawson	1
Deer Lodge	10
Fergus	7
Flathead	7
Gallatin	4
Hill	3
Lewis & Clark	8
Lincoln	3
McCone	3
Mineral	1
Missoula	3
Park	6
Ravalli	4
Richland	1
Sheridan	1
Silver Bow	24
Stillwater	1
Teton	1
Toole	2
Yellowstone	12
TOTAL	127

Table No. 4

Showing the causes of commitment of the boys who were in the School on June 30, 1927:

<u>OFFENSE</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>
Incorrigibility	41
Delinquency	27
Incorrigibility & Delinquency	8
Burglary	19
Grand Larceny	8
Larceny	1
Petit Larceny	9
Theft	2
Stealing	2
Automobile theft	2
Robbery	1
Assault with intent Robbery	2
Arson	1
Forgery	1
Growing up in idleness	2
Neglected and Abandoned	1
TOTAL	127



DAIRY BARN AND SILO



A SCENE IN THE PARK

Table No. 6

Showing from what Counties the children were received, who were admitted for the first time during the year:

<u>County</u>	<u>Number</u>
Beaverhead	1
Blaine	2
Carbon	1
Cascade	9
Custer	2
Dawson	1
Deer Lodge	3
Fergus	2
Flathead	3
Gallatin	4
Hill	2
Lewis & Clark	3
Lincoln	3
McCone	1
Missoula	2
Park	2
Ravalli	4
Richland	1
Sheridan	1
Silver Bow	10
Stillwater	3
Teton	1
Yellowstone	9
TOTAL	<u>70</u>

Table No. 7

Showing the causes of commitment of the children who were admitted for the first time during the year:

<u>Cause</u>	<u>Number</u>
Incorrigibility	24
Delinquency	10
Incorrigibility & Delinquency	4
Burglary	10
Grand Larceny	6
Petit Larceny	6
Forgery	2
Stealing Automobiles	2
Assault with intent Robbery	2
Robbery	1
Theft	1
Growing up in Idleness	2
TOTAL	<u>70</u>



THE BOYS' DORMITORY

